

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 3-12, 14-23, and 25-36 are currently pending in this application.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner is thanked for indicating that claims 2, 5, 7-9, 13, 16, 18-20, 27, 30 and 32-34 contain allowable subject matter if written in independent form.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 10-12, 14, 15, 17, 21-26, 28, 29, 31, 35, and 36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over some combination of U.S. patent No. 5,859,878 to Phillips et al. (hereinafter "Phillips"), in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,373,902 to Park et al. (hereinafter "Park") and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,768,695 to Fischer et al (hereinafter "Fischer").

Independent claims 1, 12 and 23 have been amended to include subject matter indicated by the examiner as allowable. All other rejected claims depend on one claims 1, 12, and 23. Accordingly, withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection of claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 10-12, 14, 15, 17, 21-26, 28, 29, 31, 35, and 36 is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

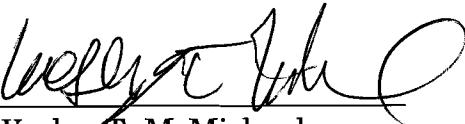
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If the Examiner believes that any additional minor formal matters need to be addressed in order to place this application in condition for allowance, or that a telephone interview will help to materially advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at the Examiner's convenience.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application, including claims 1, 3-12, 14-23, and 25-36 is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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